

United States
Coast Guard



Security Zones for Houston, Galveston Texas City and Freeport



THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT HOUSTON-GALVESTON HAS ESTABLISHED SECURITY ZONES FOR CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA.

RECREATIONAL VESSELS AND OTHER UNAUTHORIZED VESSELS/PERSONS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THESE AREAS WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PERMISSION FROM THE CAPTAIN OF THE PORT. VIOLATORS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL PENALTIES, FINES AND/OR IMPRISONMENT.

SEE INSIDE FOR A FURTHER EXPLANATION OF THESE AREAS.

WARNING !

The following areas are off limits!

Houston: The **Houston Ship Channel** and all associated turning basins, bounded by a line drawn between the Houston Ship Channel Light 132 (LLNR-24445) and Houston Ship Channel Light 133 (LLNR-24450) (**Just west of the USS Battle Ship TEXAS**) west to the T & N Rail Road Swing Bridge at the entrance to Buffalo Bayou, including all waters adjacent to the ship channel from shoreline to shoreline and the first 200 yards of connecting waterways (NAD 1983).

Morgan's Point: The **Barbours Cut Ship Channel** and Turning Basin containing all waters west of a line drawn between Junction Light "Barbours Cut" 29° 41' 12" N, 94° 59' 12" W (LLNR-23525), and Houston Ship Channel Light 91, 29° 41' 00" N, 94° 59' 00" W (LLNR-23375) (NAD 1983).

Bayport: The **Port of Bayport Ship Channel** and Turning Basin containing all waters south of 29° 36' 45" between the Bayport Ship Channel Light 9 (LLNR-23295) and the channel's western most point (NAD 1983).

Texas City: The **Port of Texas City Channel**, Turning Basin and Industrial Canal containing all waters bounded by the area south and west of a line drawn between Texas City Channel Light 19 (LLNR-24810) through Cut B Inner Range Front Light (LLNR-24765) and terminating on land in position 29° 23' 16" N, 095° 53' 15" W (NAD 1983).

Freeport: The **Brazos Harbor** containing all waters west of a line drawn between the northern point at 28° 56' 27" N, 095° 20' 00" W and the southern point 28° 56' 09" N, 095° 20' 00" W (NAD 1983) and its junction with the Old Brazos River Cut. The **Dow Barge Canal** containing all waters bounded by its junction with the Intracoastal Waterway, by a line drawn between the eastern point at latitude 28° 56' 48" N, 095° 18' 20" W, and the western point at 28° 56' 40" N, 095° 18' 33" W (NAD 1983).

All Cruise Ships: Vessels may enter within 500 yards of a cruise ship but not closer than 100 yards provided they operate at the minimum speed necessary to maintain a safe course. No person or vessel may enter within 100 yards of a cruise ship unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port.

For information on how to obtain authorization to transit a security zone contact Marine Safety Office Houston-Galveston at 713-671-5100. Visit us at www.uscg.mil/d8/mso/hougal/index.htm

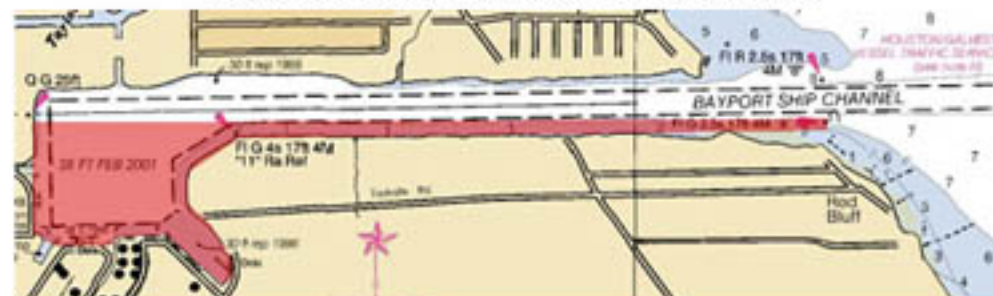
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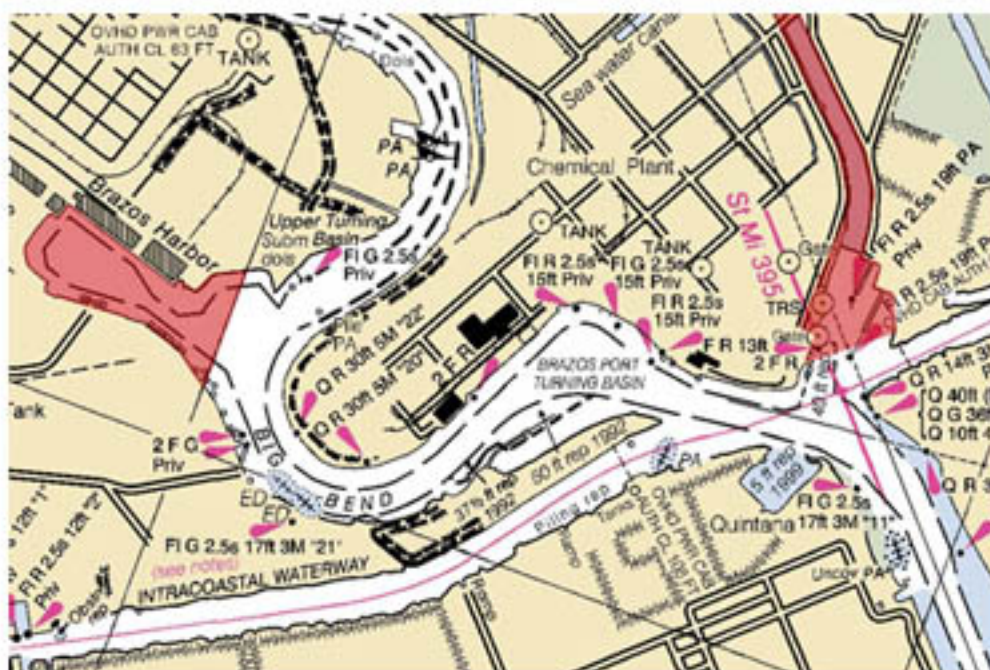
Texas City Channel - Chart 11324



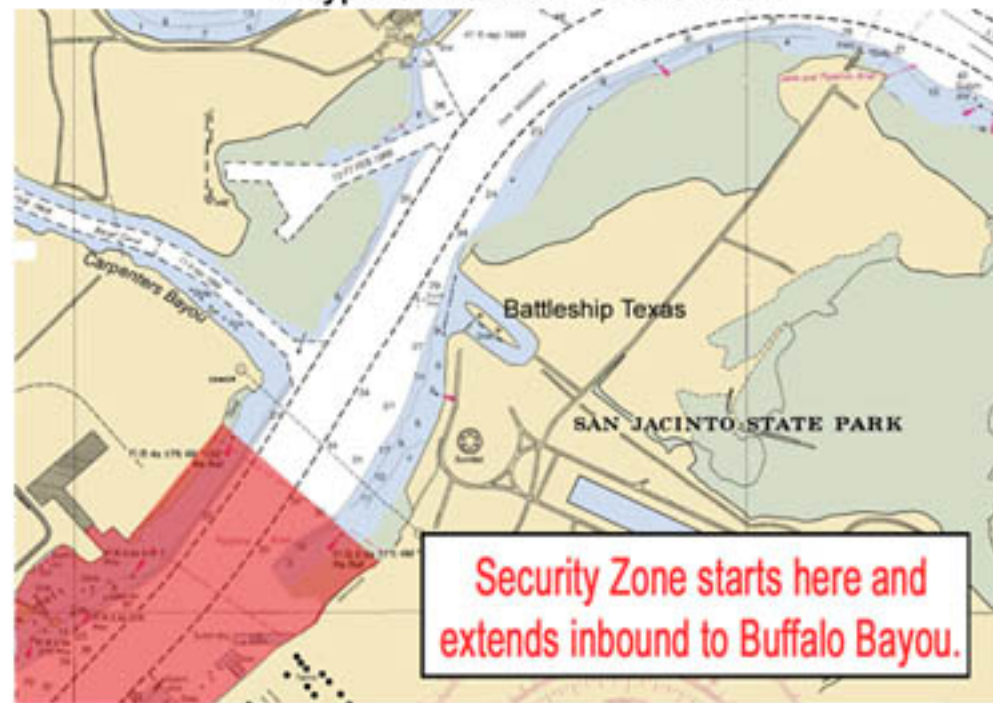
Barbours Cut Terminal - Chart 11328



Bayport Channel - Chart 11327



Freeport - Chart 11322



Houston Ship Channel - Chart 11329

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